CHIP-B/Access Card Programs

Open enrollment September 1-14, 2004. Applications must be received or postmarked between these dates.

Purpose

The purpose of these new programs is to improve and maintain child health status by developing a public/private partnership with citizen advisors, private health insurers, and small business. To promote the availability and choice of health insurance products to Idaho's children, whose annual gross income meets the current program eligibility requirements in the following age groups are:

- Children 0-6 -- 133%-185% <u>FPG</u> (Federal Poverty Guidelines)
- Children 6-19 -- 100%-185% <u>FPG</u>

What are the differences between CHIP-B and the Access Card?

- CHIP-B is a limited, direct services benefit plan, administered by the State, that pays for children's primary care services.
- Children's Access Card is a premium assistance program administered in partnership with Idaho insurance carriers. An eligible child qualifies for up to \$100 per month in premium assistance or up to \$300 per month for families with three or more children.